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> AT 1600 HOURS 18 JAN A MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE FOR DEFENSE OF THE NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY BEGAN IN THE SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF PANAMA. FOREIGN MENSMEN ATTENDING THE MEETING INCLUDED SOVIET JOURNALIST VADIN POLIAKOVSKY.

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AT 1200 HOURS 18 JAN BISHOP MARCOS MCGRATH PRESIDED AT A MEETING OF CATHOLIC CLERGYMEN FROM PANAMA AND THE CANAL ZONE, THE OBJECTIVE BEING TO HEALETHE RECENTLY CREATED WOUNDS. THE BISHOP TOLD THE CLERGYMEN THAT, WITH THIS PURPOSE IN MIND, HE HAS DECLARED THE WEEK

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OF 19 JAN ONE OF PRAYER FOR ALL CATHOLICS IN PANAMA AND THE CANAL ZONE. BISHOP MCGRATH SAID THAT HE DID NOT FEEL THE TIME WAS YET RIPE TO SIT DOWN WITH PROTESTANT CLERGY FROM THE ZONE.

4. AS OF 2300 HOURS THE SITUATION IS CALM, AND THERE IS NO IND-ICATION OF A CHANGE.

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